

Appln No. 10/713,058
Amdt. Dated April 26, 2006
Response to Office Action of February 23, 2006

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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claim 1 stands rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Fujishiro in view of McIntyre. In response, the Applicant has amended claim 1 to recite features of the second portion, ie the ink portion of the casing. Basis for these amendments can be found at page 5, line 6 to page 6, line 4 of the specification as filed. The Applicant respectfully submits that the prior art, in particular McIntyre does not teach or suggest the construction of the ink supply portion as presently defined.

In light of the amendments and submissions made herein, the Applicant contends that claim 1, and thereby the dependent claims, is novel and inventive over the cited prior art and that the application is in condition for allowance. Further consideration of the application is therefore respectfully requested.

Very respectfully,

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